

# Judge Rejected Antivax Lawsuit Over New York City's Mandatory Measles Vaccination Order

Last Thursday a Brooklyn judge denied a petition that sought to eliminate New York City's mandatory measles vaccination order.

An anonymous group of parents brought the lawsuit to court arguing that the order isn't constitutional, but the judge sided with municipal health authorities.

The Judge is reported to have called the order "a rare but necessary step" to contain the worst measles outbreak to hit the city since 1991.

News organizations report that the outbreak has infected more than 300 people so far, with most of the infected being children from the Orthodox Jewish communities in Brooklyn boroughs.

Parents are facing fines of \$1,000 if they don't vaccinate children of whom health officials say may have been exposed to the virus.

*And the city wasted no time enforcing its upheld order. As the judge made his decision Thursday, city health officials doled out the first penalties to violators, according to the New York Times. Officials sent summonses to the parents of three children for failing to vaccinate the children even after city officials determined that they had been exposed to the dangerous viral illness.*

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1PiR4PkCh0>

In the U.S. at this time it's not possible to get a measles vaccine without getting the Mumps and Rubella via the MMR vaccine. The MMRII is by Merck which is a live virus combination measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine. There is also the ProQuad option also produced and distributed by Merck, which is a live virus combination measles-mumps-rubella-varicella (MMR-V) vaccine. Both products are produced and distributed by Merck.

Merck says both vaccines are safe to be given to children of age one year or older, but the New York order includes children six months or older to be vaccinated.

On the CDC's website, under "Who Should Not Get MMR Vaccine?" the CDC lists the following:

- Has any severe, life-threatening allergies. A person who has ever had a life-threatening allergic reaction after a dose of MMR vaccine, or has a severe allergy to any part of this vaccine, may be advised not to be vaccinated. Ask your health care provider if you want information about vaccine components.
- Is pregnant, or thinks she might be pregnant. Pregnant women should wait to get MMR vaccine until after they are no longer pregnant. Women should avoid getting pregnant for at least 1 month after getting MMR vaccine.
- Has a weakened immune system due to disease (such as cancer or HIV/AIDS) or medical treatments (such as radiation, immunotherapy, steroids, or chemotherapy).
- Has a parent, brother, or sister with a history of immune system problems.
- Has ever had a condition that makes them bruise or bleed easily.
- Has recently had a blood transfusion or received other blood products. You might be advised to postpone MMR vaccination for 3 months or more.
- Has tuberculosis.

- Has gotten any other vaccines in the past 4 weeks. Live vaccines given too close together might not work as well.
- Is not feeling well. A mild illness, such as a cold, is usually not a reason to postpone a vaccination. Someone who is moderately or severely ill should probably wait. Your doctor can advise you.

### **Recommended:**

- *How To Detoxify and Heal From Vaccinations – For Adults and Children*
- *Doctors Against Vaccines – Hear From Those Who Have Done the Research*
- *Scientists Against Vaccines – Hear From Those Who Have Done the Research*
- *The MMR Vaccine – A Comprehensive Overview of the Potential Dangers and Effectiveness*